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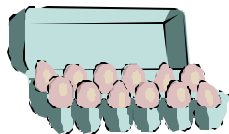
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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In Chicago, prices were lower on the larger sizes, unchanged on mediums. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to instances weak on the larger sizes, generally steady on the balance. Demand was mostly light to no better than moderate, although fairly good at times where promotional activity was either planned or in progress. Supplies of the larger sizes continued fully adequate to ample, and mediums were generally in good balance to occasionally light. Breaking stock offerings were usually balanced to at times fully adequate from regular sources, and demand for additional product ranged light to moderate. Light type hens were fully sufficient for processors' immediate needs.

NORTH ATLANTIC Prices were unchanged in all locations. The market tone continued barely steady to instances weak on the larger sizes and generally steady on brown and smaller sizes. Demand into all outlets was light to fair, best where specials were planned or in progress. Supplies of the heavier weight eggs were fully adequate to ample and the lighter weight eggs were generally adequate. Breaking stock supplies were in close balance to fully adequate for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of spent hens were fully sufficient for current needs.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged. The market tone was mixed. Demand was reported as mostly fair, usually better where features were in progress or planned for next week. Supplies for the larger sizes were fully adequate to ample and generally adequate for mediums.

MIDWEST Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota Wisconsin and prices in Chicago were 2 cents lower for the larger sizes and unchanged for the balance. Prices in all other areas were unchanged. Prices reflect changes from the previous Tuesday's reported prices. The trade sentiment was barely steady to at times weak for the larger sizes and mostly steady for the lighter weights. Retail demand was light to fair with scattered features moving some extra product. Food service movement was generally moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to ample for jumbo, extra large, and large and were in fairly good balance for medium and small. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged from Tuesday's reported prices. Offerings were in good balance for the light to moderate demand. Regular commitments satisfied most buyers while some breakers were trying to secure extra product within the current price range. The trade sentiment was mostly steady to instances fully steady.

CHICAGO Prices for extra large and large declined 2 cents, mediums unchanged. Trade sentiment about steady to barely steady. Retail and food service demand light to moderate, best where features are a factor. Supplies uneven, large sizes adequate to ample, balance of sizes light to adequate.

SOUTHERN Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady on mediums, barely steady on the larger sizes. Demand was generally moderate entering the weekend, although improved where feature activity was either planned or in progress. Supplies of the larger sizes were at least adequate to fully adequate, and mediums remained in good balance. Breaking stock supplies were mixed in a full range from regular sources, and demand for additional product was light to moderate. Light type fowl were fully sufficient for current needs.

WEST COAST Prices unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to weak with asking prices for next week in California 4 cents lower on jumbo, extra large, and large, unchanged on medium and small; in the Northwest 3 cents lower on the large sizes, unchanged on medium. Retailer demand fair to good. Offerings adequate.

PRICES TO RETAILERS - SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NORTHEAST CITIES	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	103-105	92-94	59-61
New York	65-67	62-65	53-56
Philadelphia	63-73	61-71	52-55

SOUTHERN CITIES

Atlanta (1) (2)	58-59	56.5-58	48-49
Jackson (1)	68-69	65-66	57-58
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	65-78	62-76	52-66

MIDWEST CITIES

Chicago	54-59	53-58	45-50
Detroit (2)	53-56	52-55	41-44
Major Ohio Cities (2)	54-63.5	53-62	42-47
Major Wisconsin Cities	57-64	55-62	45-52

WESTERN CITIES

Houston (1)	73-74	68-70	59-60
Southern California(Grade AA)(4)	80-92	79-86	68-74
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	96	89	78

(1) - Prices Reported Weekly (3) - Reported Invoice Prices
(2) - Delivered Warehouse (4) - Prices To Retailers

CALIFORNIA EGGS Prices unchanged. Asking prices for next week 4 cents lower on jumbo, extra large, and large, unchanged on medium and small. Retailer demand fair to good, best where features in progress and planned. Offerings adequate. Small invoice price 58. Ads in Southern California: smaller outlets- jumbo dozen 99-109, extra large dozen 99, 20 pack 159, large dozen 79-99.

CALIFORNIA

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	109
EXTRA LARGE	96
LARGE	89
MEDIUM	78

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	96-106
EXTRA LARGE	80-92
LARGE	79-86
MEDIUM	68-74

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	229-289
EXTRA LARGE	219-279
LARGE	199-209
MEDIUM	187-199

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Offerings were in good balance with the current light to moderate demand. Regular commitments were keeping most breakers satisfied with the occasional breaker seeking additional product paying within the current range. Trade sentiment mostly steady to instances fully steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	25-28	26-28
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-14	

CENTRAL STATES AREA:

AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices were irregular. Demand was mixed and in a range of light to moderate. Offerings were usually in close balance to fully adequate from regular suppliers. Undertone generally steady.

PRICES MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	24-30	26-29
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	10-14	

EASTERN REGION AREA:

AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 08-Jan-00
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,165,327	27,154	10,854	6,383	2,753	4,093
PW	1,034,477	23,017	10,421	5,618	2,587	3,507
LY	1,078,831	25,486	9,390	5,332	2,969	3,311
% PW	13	18	4	14	6	17
% LY	8	7	16	20	-7	24
2000	1,165,327	27,154	10,854	6,383	2,753	4,093
1999	1,078,831	25,486	9,390	5,332	2,969	3,311

****ON REPORT RELEASED 05-JAN-00 YEAR TO-DATE 1999 FIGURES SHOULD HAVE BEEN:****

58,330,278 1,340,672 559,786 307,548 133,710 186,321

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -

CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
41.61	41.14	40.34

NATIONAL LIQUID EGGS No pasteurized whites or salt yolk reported. Trade sentiment was generally steady for whole egg, fully steady to firm for whites, and weak for yolk. Demand improved daily for whites with whole egg demand fair and yolk lackluster.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 14 January, 2000 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE	23	20-26	23.80	1.19
WHITES	17	25-29	27.65	2.28
YOLKS	10	33-38	35.95	-3.18

EASTERN REGION FROZEN EGGS Prices were unchanged on whites, balanced ranged from unchanged to lower. Offerings were in close balance to ample with salt yolk in the longest position. The undertone was in a full range. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending January 08, 2000 were 27 % more than last week, and unchanged from a year ago. Shell egg supplies were sufficient for trade needs.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	TRUCKLOTS (MIN. 25 CONT.)		
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	36-40	38-39	45-52
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		53-62
WHITES	35-39	36-39	42-54
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	48-53	49-51	55-64
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	41-50	45-48	54-62

(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN EGGS Prices were unchanged to slightly lower for whole egg and yolk with whites unchanged to higher. Trade sentiment for whole egg was mixed from mostly steady to barely steady with whites steady to fully steady. Frozen yolk trade sentiment was barely steady to weak with salt yolk in the weakest position.

Movement of frozen egg products was best for whites and whole egg with salt yolk demand very sluggish. Breaking stock supplies were in close balance with prices unchanged.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	TRUCKLOTS	
	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	36-41	38-39
WHITES	36-40	36-38
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	48-53	49-51
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	45-50	47-49

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN EGGS Prices unchanged.

Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 1/8 was 9% more than the previous week. Breaking stock generally adequate.

Frozen demand fair and freezer stocks adequate.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT
(CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)	
	RANGE	
WHOLE	43-46	
WHITES	41-44	
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	55-58	
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	52-55	

NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT Mostly prices were lower on yolks and whole, balance unchanged. Demand and interest was light on yolks but improved on albumen. Trade sentiment was barely steady on yolks, fully steady on albumen and about steady to steady on whole and blends. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending January 08, 2000 were 6% more than the previous week, and 7% less than the same week a year ago.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAINERS, TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

WHOLE	1.40-1.60	MOSTLY 1.45-1.50
YOLKS	1.20-1.40	MOSTLY 1.22-1.28
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.85-3.10	MOSTLY 2.90-3.00
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.15-1.25	MOSTLY 1.15-1.20

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 07 - JAN 13, 2000

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
121.50								47.00								168.50							
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW			
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS								
GNR W 1	39.50	43.50	40.67	41.67	43.92	—	28.00	GNR W 1	—	47.63	—	—	—	—	28.00								
GNR W 2	—	37.00	—	—	—	—	4.00	GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00								
GNR W 3	—	35.75	—	—	29.33	30.50	6.00	GNR W 3	—	32.50	—	—	—	—	2.00								
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	5.00	GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GNR BR 2	—	—	66.00	—	—	—	1.00	GL W XL	—	—	—	—	55.00	54.64	8.00								
GL W XL	—	46.00	46.90	48.35	44.47	—	14.75	GL W LG	42.33	47.67	—	—	—	49.02	26.50								
GL W LG	—	46.00	39.50	49.00	39.56	44.00	26.75	GL W MD	35.45	37.50	42.00	43.00	—	42.21	11.25								
GL W MD	41.00	—	35.05	36.74	38.63	—	19.00	GL W SM	18.00	—	—	—	—	24.00	2.00								
GL W SM	21.50	23.00	19.86	22.36	—	—	8.00	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	.25								
GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	.25	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	.50								
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.50	NRBS - 48	—	30.00	—	—	—	—	2.00								
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	NRBS - 45	—	26.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
NRBS - 48	—	—	30.20	31.78	26.50	28.00	13.25	NRBS - 39	18.33	19.75	—	—	—	—	4.00								
NRBS - 45	—	—	27.00	28.00	22.50	—	1.75																
NRBS - 39	14.00	—	—	—	—	—	5.00																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Demand was only fair for the adequate offerings. Processing schedules ranged from normal to reduced for next week operating schedules. The undertone was no better than steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was light for at least adequate offerings of spent leghorn fowl. Finished sales were only fair. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was only steady at best.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate to ample for the light to moderate demand. Schedules were full-time or better. Trade sentiment about steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants generally worked full schedules. Offerings ample.

LIVE HENS

Prices paid for live hens (trucklot) cents/pounds at farm.

	<u>LIGHT</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>MAJORITY</u>
Eastern Light	0-0	(1)	
Eastern Light	0-0	(2)	
So. Central Light	TFEWR	(2)	
No. Central Light	TFEWR	(1)	
No. Central Light	0-5	(2)	0
(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading			
(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT			

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 14-Jan-00
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A
LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED
STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	67.55	65.16	54.25
SOUTHERN	64.72	62.82	53.60
MIDWEST	57.72	56.54	45.65
WESTERN	87.96	83.12	72.04
TWELVE METRO AREAS	72.44	69.49	58.62
COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS			

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Prices were irregular on light canners and generally unchanged to slightly higher on heavies. Demand was light to moderate best on heavy canners. Offerings were adequate on lights, and not as available but adequate to occasionally short on heavies. Market conditions were usually steady on lights, but somewhat improved on heavies.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
25-27 MAJORITY	31-37 MAJORITY 34.5-35.5

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
25-28 MAJORITY	32-37 MAJORITY 36.25-37

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 01-JAN-00
(PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL
HEAD	1,596	980	2,576
LAST WEEK	1,694	1,052	2,746
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,836	1,051	2,887
TO-DATE/1999	106,770	72,855	179,625
TO-DATE/1998	104,632	65,049	169,681

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL
HEAD	242	0	242
LAST WEEK	348	0	348
SAME WEEK YR AGO	0	0	0
TO-DATE/1999	22,925	264	23,189
TO-DATE/1998	24,626	352	24,978

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL
HEAD	1,838	980	2,818
LAST WEEK	2,042	1,052	3,094
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,836	1,051	2,887
TO-DATE/1999	129,695	73,119	202,814
TO-DATE/1998	129,258	65,401	194,659

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade
U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (Preliminary)

Type	Week Ending December 25, 1999		Year-To-Date	
	(000)		(000)	
	1999	1998 /1	1999	1998
Liquid	237	138	13,289	14,771
Frozen	0	0	6	50
Dried	40	43	684	783
Total	277	181	13,979	15,604

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (Preliminary)

Type	Week Ending December 25, 1999		Year-To-Date	
	(000)		(000)	
	1999	1998 /1	1999	1998
Liquid	45	49	4,532	3,981
Frozen	0	9	609	224
Dried	0	0	310	235
Total	45	58	5,451	4,440

Inspected Shell Eggs
U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)

	Week Ending December 25, 1999		Year-To-Date	
	1999		1999	
	1999	1998 /1	1999	1998
Jumbo	62	0	2,430	1,399
Extra Large	2,290	480	46,702	39,499
Large	4,222	3,827	157,645	140,009
Medium	1,760	850	54,956	68,505
Ungraded	11,670	2,310	636,053	371,303
Misc	0	0	11,622	9,117
Total	20,004	7,467	909,408	629,832

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

DETROIT PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE.

JUMBO	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
61-64	52-58	50-55	39-44	25-29

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS).

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
34-36	27-29	15-17

NEW ENGLAND PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM

JUMBO	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
112-115	84-87	73-76	40-43	11-14

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -
SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS	TURKS	POP
	LBS	LBS	LBS
AM 10-Jan-00	4,202	75,469	76,673
AM 1-Jan-00	4,288	65,047	75,162
CHG	-86	10422	1511
PCT CHG	-2	16	2

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 08-Jan-00

SELECTED

CONSUMING CENTERS	CW	PW THOUSANDS	PCT CHG PW	LY
ATLANTA	26.9	26.8	0	-22
BOSTON	3.1	3.5	-11	-67
CHICAGO	48.9	62.8	-22	-16
DETROIT	25.9	39.1	-34	-31
KANSAS CITY	0.1	0.1	0	0
LOS ANGELES	96.2	99.3	-3	10
NEW ORLEANS	13.5	12.4	9	-1
NEW YORK	37.0	36.2	2	-15
ST. LOUIS	15.6	15.8	-1	8
SAN FRANCISCO	21.8	23.0	-5	-14
TOTAL	289.0	319.0	-9	-11
4 WK MVG AVG	313.3			

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT W/E 08-Jan-00

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
N. ATLANTIC	254.6	4	7
E.N. CENTRAL	483.7	-2	11
W.N. CENTRAL	193.8	-3	-43
S. ATLANTIC	209.2	-3	-1
S. CENTRAL	72.6	-8	-4
WEST	209.3	3	-14
TOTAL	1423.2	-1	-8

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NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT, JANUARY 11, 2000.
 PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS
 DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	117	106	73	44
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	111-115	100-104	66-70	37-41
MOSTLY	113-114	102-103	68-69	39-40
RHODE ISLAND	113-117	102-106	69-73	40-44
MOSTLY	113	102	69	40
VERMONT	120	109-110	75-76	-
MOSTLY	-	109	76	-

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U.S. MONTHLY INVENTORY OF DRIED EGG SOLIDS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1999 COMPARISONS ON THE BASIS OF MATCHED PLANTS

CLASS	NUMBER OF POUNDS	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
WHOLE			
PLAIN	1,223,964	44	-1
FREE FLOWING	1,619,100	-13	-14
BLEND	654,261	-8	31
WHITE			
(ALBUMEN)	3,479,978	10	49
BLEND	179,140	-4	353
YOLK			
PLAIN	878,550	37	21
BLEND	61,550	-18	-60
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	2,696,950	13	155
TOTAL	10,793,493	9	36

DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:
 NOVEMBER 28, 1999 - JANUARY 1, 2000
 TOTAL 12,879,000 POUNDS.

EGG PRODUCTS

Shell Eggs Broken Up 12 Percent Shell eggs broken totaled 149 million dozen during November 1999, up 12 percent from November a year ago. Regional percentage changes were: North Atlantic, up 5; North Central, up 19; South Atlantic, down 30; South Central, up 21; and Western, down 3. November 1999 contained 22 weekdays including two holidays and four Saturdays, compared to 21 weekdays including two holidays and four Saturdays in November 1998. Data presented in this report were compiled from inspection reports of the Food Safety and Inspection Service. The best available data at time of publication was used.